

## **B. Version with Markings to Show Changes Made**

Please amend the application as follows:

### **In the Claims:**

5. (Amended) A fixing device as set forth in [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1, wherein said guide is formed as a bore (5a) and/or as a recess (5b).
6. (Amended) A device as set forth in [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1, wherein two, three or more guides (5) are formed in said fixing device.
7. (Amended) A fixing device as set forth in [any one of the above claims] claim 1, wherein said fixing device comprises a section provided with a screw thread.
8. (Amended) A fixing device as set forth in [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1, wherein said fixing device comprises a section formed as a nail and/or a section with edges running approximately parallel to the direction of insertion.
9. (Amended) A fixing device as set forth in [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1, wherein said fixing device comprises an element (4) tapered at its lower end.
10. (Amended) A fixing device as set forth in [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1, wherein said fixing device comprises a connecting element or a recess (3a), wherein tools can be positioned or devices (10, 11) can be attached.
11. (Amended) A fixing system comprising a fixing device (1) as set forth in [any one of claims 1 to 10] claim 1 and at least one securing element (6) at least partially inserted into said guide (5a, 5b).
13. (Amended) A fixing system as set forth in claim 11[ or 12], wherein said guide (5a, 5d) of said fixing device (1) and said securing element (6) are formed in such as way that said securing element (6) inserted into said fixing device (1) exhibits substantially no play.

14. (Amended) A positioning system comprising a fixing system (1, 6) as set forth in [any one of claims 11 to 13] claim 11 and a positioning element (11) fixed to it.

16. (Amended) A positioning system as set forth in [any one of claims 14 or 15] claim 14, wherein said positioning element is a reference star (11).

19. (Amended) A fixing device as set forth in [any one of claims 17 or 18] claim 17, wherein at least one fixing section, in particular a recess (21a), is provided in the fixing device (21), in particular for attaching a positioning element (11).

20. (Amended) A fixing system comprising a fixing device as set forth in [any one of claims 17 to 19] claim 17, and elements guided in the guides (23a, 23b), in particular Kirschner wires or Schanz screws.